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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend claims 5, 14 and 16, and add new claim 18 as follows. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended). An electronic camera comprising:

processing means for compression processing an image obtained by sensing;

5 recording means for recording the processed image as an image file; and

transmission means for transmitting the image file recorded in said recording means upon receiving base station identification information of a master unit in position

10 registration processing according to movement, the master unit having registered a self device as a subsidiary unit,

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wherein the transmission means transmits only an image
unrecorded in a recording apparatus of the master unit to the
master unit and the image file is recorded in the recording
15 apparatus of the master unit upon being transmitted to the master
unit by said transmission means.

Claim 6 (Original). A camera according to claim 5, further
comprising means for, when the image file is recorded in said
recording apparatus, automatically erasing the transmitted image
file from the self device.

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

Claim 8 (Original). An electronic camera comprising:
recording means for recording an image obtained by sensing
as an image file;

means for determining whether a base station capable of
5 communication at the highest level is a master unit in which a
self device is registered as a subsidiary unit;

means for, when it is determined that the base station is
the master unit in which the self device is registered as the
subsidiary unit, transmitting a file name of the image file

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10 recorded in said recording means to the master unit and receiving
a file name of an untransmitted image file from the master unit;
and

means for transmitting an image file corresponding to the
received file name of the untransmitted image file to the master
15 unit.

Claim 9 (Original). A camera according to claim 8, further
comprising

means for disconnecting communication with the master unit
after the image file corresponding to the file name of the
5 untransmitted image file is transmitted to the master unit.

Claim 10 (Original). An electronic camera system comprising:

an electronic camera; and

a personal handy phone unit attached to said electronic
camera,

5 wherein said electronic camera comprises
image sensing means for sensing a target sensing object,
a memory card for recording an image of the target sensing
object sensed by said image sensing means as an image file, and

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10 a control section for transmitting a file name of the image
file recorded on said memory card to said personal handy phone
unit, searching said memory card for an image file corresponding
to a file name of an untransmitted image file, the file name
being transmitted from said personal handy phone unit, and
transmitting the image file found by the search to said personal
15 handy phone unit, and

said personal handy phone unit transmits a file name of the
image file recorded on said memory card and sent from said
control section to a master unit in which a self device is
registered as a subsidiary unit, receives a file name of an
20 untransmitted image file from the master unit, transmits an image
file corresponding to the received file name of the untransmitted
image file to said control section, and transmits the image file
found by the search transmitted from said control section to the
master unit.

Claims 11-13 (Cancelled).

Claim 14 (Currently Amended). An electronic camera system
comprising:

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an electronic camera having a unique identification code and capable of transferring image sensing data stored in nonvolatile storage means to a predetermined partner by data communication compatible to a personal ~~handyphone~~ handy phone system (PHS), said electronic camera storing the image sensing data in said nonvolatile storage means; and

a base station unit of the personal handy phone system (PHS) which has a unique identification code and a predetermined storage unit and is capable of data communication compatible to said personal ~~handyphone~~ handy phone system, and which performs data communication with said electronic camera and stores the transferred image sensing data in said predetermined storage unit.

Claim 15 (Original). A system according to claim 14, wherein said electronic camera is set as a subsidiary unit having said base station unit as a master unit and transfers the image sensing data only when said master unit and said subsidiary unit can directly perform data communication.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended). An electronic camera capable of communication on a personal ~~handy phone~~ handy phone system (PHS), comprising:

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an image processing unit configured to process image data
5 obtained by an image of said camera;

a storage unit configured to store said image data as an
image file by assigning a unique file name; and

a communication unit configured to communicate with a
specified communication unit when said specified communication
10 unit is found to establish mutual communication;

wherein said communication unit transmits said image file
stored in said storage unit to said specified communication unit
if ~~said image file~~ it is determined that ~~[[it]]~~ said image file
is not previously sent to said specified communication unit.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented). The electronic camera
according to claim 16, wherein the determination of said
communication unit is carried out by mutual recognition of said
file name in said storage and a storage connected to said
5 specified communication unit.

Claim 18 (New). A system according to claim 14, wherein the
electronic camera transfers only image sensing data which is
unrecorded in the predetermined storage unit of the base station
unit to the base station unit and the image sensing data is

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- 5 recorded in the predetermined storage unit of the base station unit upon being transmitted by the electronic camera.